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TWO MAJOR PROJECTS WILL BE PRESENTED **COMMUNITY MEETING NOTICE** ***MOJAVE RIVER BRIDGE SEISMIC RETROFIT &*** ***THE MOJAVE DRIVE INTERCHANGE***

Victorville – Caltrans will host two community meetings for the upcoming Mojave River Bridge project on State Route 18 (SR-18) in Victorville. Added to this meeting will be a presentation of the Mojave Drive Interchange project on Interstate 15 in Victorville.

The Mojave Bridge Retrofit project will rehabilitate the existing structure to prevent further damage in a major seismic event. It will construct concrete walls in the piers to enhance the lateral stability, add seismic anchor slabs at abutments, install a longitudinal restraint system to connect the anchor slabs, and replace median metal beam guardrail with the current standard concrete barrier. The project will begin in early 2007 and is expected to be complete in summer 2008.

The Mojave Drive Interchange project will rehabilitate the existing interchange by adding lanes and will also widen and reconfigure the on and off ramps. The project will build a parallel structure to the existing bridge and then connect the two, which will allow two lanes in each direction. Construction is expected to begin in spring 2007 and be complete in summer 2009.

Knowledgeable Caltrans employees from various functions involved in the projects will be present to answer questions.

DATE	LOCATION	TIME
Tuesday, February 13	City of Victorville 14343 Civic Center Drive Training Room B Victorville, CA	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 15	Apple Valley City Hall 14955 Dale Evans Parkway Council Chambers Apple Valley, CA	6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

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